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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The trade sentiment on whole body hens and toms was fully steady. Inquiry light to moderate. Limited sales reported of packer label hens and toms for prompt and deferred arrivals. Supplies light to adequate. Parts and meats starting the trading week on a cautious note. Buyers resisting current price levels, however the market remains steady to firm and held with confidence. Offerings mixed.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

No trading was reported. Offerings short of needs. Demand fairly good with a steady to firm undertone and most interest noted on tom drums and thigh meat.

#### SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

##### DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTION

|                              | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS               | 90-109       |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#     | 81-99        |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#        | 81-99        |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#        | 79-99        |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 94-105       |

#### LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

##### DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

|                                | <u>RANGE</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#   | 65-72        |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP | 80-85        |
| BREASTS 10-12#                 | 105-110      |
| COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP    |              |

##### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

|                              | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#   | 96           |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#  | 96           |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#  | 65-66        |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 64-65        |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 65-72        |

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

#### **CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

|                      | <b>OFFERS</b> | <b>SALES</b> | <b>WTD<br/>AVG</b> | <b>VOLUME<br/>(000)</b> | <b>FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/<br/>WTD<br/>AVG</b> | <b>VOLUME<br/>(000)</b> | <b>DEL.<br/>PER</b> | <b>OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/<br/>VOLUME<br/>(000)</b> | <b>DEL.<br/>PER</b> |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------|
| <b>8-16 LB HENS</b>  |               |              |                    |                         |   |                         |                     |   |                     |
| EASTERN REGION 3/    | 60-63         | -            | -                  | -                       | -   | -                       | -                   | -   | -                   |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/    | 60-62         | -            | -                  | -                       | -   | -                       | -                   | -   | -                   |
| WESTERN REGION 5/    | 60-62         | -            | -                  | -                       | -   | -                       | -                   | -   | -                   |
| <b>16-24 LB TOMS</b> |               |              |                    |                         |   |                         |                     |   |                     |
| EASTERN REGION       | 60-62         | 61           | 61.00              | 120                     | 63.00                                       | 360                     | OCT                 | -   | -                   |
| CENTRAL REGION       | 59-60         | -            | -                  | -                       | -   | -                       | -                   | -   | -                   |
| WESTERN REGION       | 59-61         | -            | -                  | -                       | -   | -                       | -                   | -   | -                   |

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 15 SEPTEMBER 2003.

Sellers continued confident in the market tone on most bulk parts and fresh meats. However, some increased buyer resistances was noted on drums and thigh meat at the higher seller asking price levels. Inquiry fair to good. Offerings light at best. No trading reported.

| DOMESTIC TRADING                  | PRICE<br>RANGE | L.S.T.<br>CODE 1/ | WTD AVG<br>PRICE | VOLUME<br>(000) |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/       |                | F                 | 85.00            | 80              |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ |                | R                 | 136.00           | 200             |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/   |                | F                 | 85.33            | 120             |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM                   |                | F                 | 35.33            | 120             |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH             |                | F                 | 37.00            | 40              |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN                   |                | R                 | 32.00            | 6               |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM              |                | F                 | 28.00            | 80              |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN              |                | F                 | 27.00            | 40              |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM                |                | F                 | 40.00            | 80              |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN                |                | R                 | 69.00            | 40              |
| NECKS, TOM                        |                | F                 | 17.33            | 120             |
| NECKS, HEN                        |                | R                 | 17.67            | 21              |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/              |                | W                 | 118.00           | 40              |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/        |                | F                 | 169.50           | 160             |
| THIGH MEAT                        |                | F                 | 89.47            | 102             |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH                  |                | R                 | 87.71            | 28              |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT                  |                | R                 | 78.00            | 8               |
| SCAPULA MEAT                      |                | F                 | 63.08            | 104             |
| TENDERLOINS                       |                | F                 | 96.00            | 20              |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS                |                | T                 | 90.00            | 40              |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH          |                | F                 | 118.92           | 36              |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN               |                |                   |                  |                 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/         |                |                   |                  |                 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/   |                | F                 | 21.41            | 287             |

#### EXPORT TRADING

|                           |   |       |     |
|---------------------------|---|-------|-----|
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS          | F | 36.88 | 172 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS     | W | 27.00 | 104 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM        |   |       |     |
| TAILS                     |   |       |     |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | T | 27.50 | 104 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN       | F | 88.00 | 60  |

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.